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Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

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Re: Application of **Francois DUBARRE, Gerard VEUTIN, and Eugene SOIRFECK**

### METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CONTINUOUSLY COATING A METAL STRIP WITH A POLYMER COMPOSITION

Our Ref: Q64043

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ 6 sheet(s) of drawings.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☐ an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☐ a Form PTO-1449 listing the ISR references, and a complete copy of each reference.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment

The Declaration and Power of Attorney, and Assignment with PTO Form 1595 will be submitted at a later date.

It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report, and copies of references cited within, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by § 371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon request.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total claims       | 30 | - | 20 | = | 10 | x | \$18.00 | = | \$180.00          |
| Independent claims | 2  | - | 3  | = |    | x | \$80.00 | = | \$0.00            |
| Base Fee           |    |   |    |   |    |   |         |   | \$860.00          |
| <b>TOTAL FEE</b>   |    |   |    |   |    |   |         |   | <b>\$1,040.00</b> |

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1,040.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from October 14, 1998 based on French Application No. 9812866.

Respectfully submitted,



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